



# CITY OF LODI

## COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

**AGENDA TITLE:** Presentation by the Greater Lodi Area Youth Commission  
Regarding Honoring Teens program.

**MEETING DATE:** October 16, 2002

**PREPARED BY:** Community Center Coordinator

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Presentation.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

The Greater Lodi Area Youth Commission, in conjunction with the Lodi Sunrise Rotary Club, Valley-Lodi MRI and Central Valley Waste Services is sponsoring a program entitled **Honoring Teens**. The Lodi Youth Commission Leadership Committee selects one teen to be awarded **Teen of the Month** from the applications submitted to the commission from the general public, various schools, and church groups. This month's **Teen of the Month** is Meghan Cook is from Lodi High School.

**FUNDING:**

None Required.

*Yvette Maragliano*  
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Community Center Coordinator

**APPROVED:**

*H. Dixon Flynn*  
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## **Bio for City Council**

### **October Teen of the Month**

Meghan Cook has the desire to help others. She is a model for all of us. Even though she works part time, she has little money. Meghan gives away what little she has. She has adopted a child in Zambia, Africa. She looks forward to the Wal Mart program of Adopt a School Child. Although she would like to own a car, she prefers seeing others happy so she continues to give. She is in the Academy for Preparing Professional leaders in Education by Apple Computer.

### **Greater Lodi Area Youth Commission Announcements**

- The Government Teen Lead Session will be held on October 28 from 12:30 – 3:30 pm at the LUSD offices. The session topic for these students this month will be Education. Carolyn Viel at LUSD and Katie Wagenman from the Youth Commission coordinates this session.
- The Youth Conference has selected the theme for February 28 of 2003. It will be “Interactive Career Day – Think Beyond Now” with Michael Pritchard as the opening and closing keynote speaker and with fourteen workshops already confirmed by volunteer presenters.
- The commission is organizing a new event for either the spring of 2003 or the fall of 2003 entitled...”Speak For Youth”. We are attempting to contract with Herman Cain the past CEO of God Fathers Pizza. This event will be for high school students and will take place between 9:30 am – 12:30 pm during a pre-arranged school day with the district office. Advisor Berbawy has offered Lodi Academy’s gymnasium for this keynote presentation to students. Advisor Howard and Advisor Dean have volunteered to chair this new event along with student commissioners Courtney Cook and Katie Wagenman.